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SUBJ: CHINESE VICE-PREMIER BLASTS SOVIETS IN GENERAL,
DIPLOMATIC NOTE IN PARTICULAR

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1. PRC VICE-PREMIER LI HSIEN-NIEN HAS MADE THE FIRST
PUBLIC CHINESE REPLY TO THE SOVIETS' DIPLOMATIC PROTEST
NOTE ON MAY 19, AND IN DOING SO IMPLIED THAT SHOULD
THE RUSSIANS CONTINUE THIER POLEMICS IN STATE WAS WELL
AS PARTY CHANNELS, SINO-SOVIET GOVERNMENT RELATIONS
MAY WORSEN. SPEAKING AT A JUNE 6 BANQUET IN HONOR OF
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VISITING SUDANESE PRESIDENT NIMERI, LI ACCUSED THE
SOVIETS OF "HURLING VICIOUS SLANDERS AND CURSES AT
CHINA", SPECIFICALLY MENTIONED THE DIPLOMATIC NOTE
IN THIS CONTEXT, AND THEN DECLARED THA THE SOVIETS
ARE NOW EXTENDING "TO STATE RELATIONS THE DIFFERENCES
ON MATTERS OF PRINCIPLE BETWEEN THE TWO SIDES".

2. CHINA HAS ALWAYS CLAIMED ITS QUARREL WITH THE
SOVIETS IN AN IDEOLOGICAL "MATTER OF PRINCIPLE",
AND WHILE IT REFUSES TO HAVE ANY RELATIONS WITH THE
CPSU, STATE RELATIONS HAVE CONTINUED AT A LOW AND
TNESE BUT CORRECT LEVEL. LI'S INDIGNATION THAT
THE SOVIETS HAVE RESPONDED TO PUBLIC PRC POLEMICS
WITH AN OFFICIAL GOVERNMENT PROTEST NOTE COULD WELL
SIGNAL A FURTHER DOWNTURN IN SINO-SOVIET RELATIONS.
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